REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Date of entry in Register:	18 April 1997
Name of applicant/court:	Secretary for Internal Affairs
Applicant to the Labelling Body:	Not Applicable
Title of Publication:	Surfer Blue
Other Known Titles:	Not Stated
Director:	Larry Bronco
Producer:	Larry Bronco
Publisher:	Not Applicable
Author:	Not Applicable
Format:	Video Recording VHS/PAL
Country of Origin:	Not Stated
Language:	English

Components of film originally examined:

Feature:	Surfer Blue	Running time:	83.56
Trailers:	Nil	Running time:	
		Total Running time:	83.56

Excision/Alteration: No.

Reason(s) for Excision:

Not Applicable.

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Classification Decision:

Objectionable.

Display conditions:

Not Applicable.

Descriptive Note:

Not Applicable.

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Direction to issue a label has not been given.

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SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

The video recording entitled *Surfer Blue* has been classified as:
Objectionable.

The video recording promotes and supports the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes by presenting young men engaging in sexual activity as both attractive and arousing to the viewer. The video recording depicts explicit male sexual activity including masturbation, fellatio and anal intercourse. The young men featured in the recording appear to be aged 16-20 years and are presented in a youthful manner, for example one rides on a BMX bicycle and performs tricks on it. The publication focuses on youthful characteristics, nudity and sexual conduct of the participants, and is clearly intended for the purpose of adult sexual arousal. Therefore the video recording has been found to promote and support an activity listed in s3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 (FVPC Act). This provision overrides the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 (NZBR Act), because it is a deeming provision which cannot be given a meaning consistent with the rights and freedoms set out in s14 of the NZBR Act. Consequently this publication has been deemed objectionable under s3(2) of the FVPC Act.

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